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RE: In the Matter of:  
AN INVESTIGATION OF THE ENERGY AND REGULATORY ISSUES IN SECTION  
50 OF KENTUCKY'S 2007 ENERGY ACT, CASE NO. 2007-00477

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and ten (10) copies of the Response of the Association of Community Ministries ("ACM") and People Organized and Working for Energy Reform ("POWER") to the First Data Request of Commission Staff to ACM and POWER.

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Sincerely,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Response of ACM and POWER to the First Data Request of Commission Staff was served on the following parties on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008 by United States mail, postage prepaid.

  
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RESPONSE OF ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY MINISTRIES  
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FIRST DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF DATED MARCH 11, 2008

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**ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY MINISTRIES AND PEOPLE ORGANIZED  
AND WORKING FOR ENERGY REFORM**

**CASE NO. 2007-00477**

**Response to First Data Request of Commission Staff Dated March 11, 2008**

**Question No. 1**

**Responding Witness: Marlon Cummings**

Q-1. Refer to the testimony of Marlon Cummings at page 5. Mr. Cummings discusses some general benefits of low-income weatherization programs and recommends the expansion of such programs. Does Mr. Cummings have any economic information to provide regarding the cost effectiveness of weatherization programs? Explain your answer.

A-1. The Association of Community Ministries, Inc. (ACM) has limited economic information regarding the cost effectiveness of weatherization programs. ACM does not provide direct weatherization programs, however, several of its member agencies host weatherization workshops for low income clients conducted by Project Warm. Project Warm is a local nonprofit agency which provides weatherization services and energy conservation information to low and fixed income households in the Louisville Metro area. Project Warm workshops provide, at no cost to clients, weatherization training and materials for households that are able to help themselves. Project Warm also has two programs that provide staff and volunteers to visit households in order to identify key areas of air loss around dwellings and make energy repairs.

Because ACM agencies do not conduct weatherization services directly, I do not have specific economic information about the costs of providing these services. But as Executive Director of Jeffersontown Area Ministries, an ACM member agency, I have observed the cost savings that our clients can receive from such programs.

One of my agency's clients, received energy repairs in January 2008. This client is a single mother of two children living in a rental home with monthly income of \$1,157 from disability. Project Warm came to her home on January 28 and sealed air leaks around her windows and doors. Her LG&E bill, dated January 29<sup>th</sup> was for \$201.74. The average temperature for the billing cycle was 35 degrees. She received her next bill on February 27<sup>th</sup> for \$149.52 and the average temperature was 37 degrees. This is a savings of \$52.22 or a 25% reduction. Our client also stated that her home was more comfortable. This is only one example of the cost savings for low income households that can result from weatherization activities.

